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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act establishing a school district enrollment supplement
- 2 program and making appropriations.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

- 1 Section 1. Section 257.13, subsection 1, Code 2017, is 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 1. For the school budget year beginning July 1, 2001, and
- 4 succeeding budget years, if a district's actual enrollment
- 5 for the budget year, determined under section 257.6, is
- 6 greater than its budget enrollment for the budget year, the
- 7 district shall be eligible to receive an on-time funding budget
- 8 adjustment. The adjustment shall be in an amount equal to the
- 9 difference between the actual enrollment for the budget year
- 10 and the budget enrollment for the budget year, multiplied by
- 11 the district cost per pupil, and then reduced by the amount
- 12 received by the district under the school district enrollment
- 13 supplement program under section 257.13A.
- 14 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 257.13A School district enrollment
- 15 supplement program appropriation.
- 16 l. A school district enrollment supplement program is
- 17 established to provide additional funding for school districts
- 18 in which the district's actual enrollment for the budget year
- 19 exceeds the budget enrollment for the budget year. For the
- 20 school budget year beginning July 1, 2018, and succeeding
- 21 budget years, if a district's actual enrollment for the budget
- 22 year is greater than its budget enrollment for the budget year,
- 23 both as determined under section 257.6, the district may submit
- 24 a request to the school budget review committee for a school
- 25 district enrollment supplement. A request for an enrollment
- 26 supplement pursuant to this section must be received by the
- 27 school budget review committee by November 1. The school
- 28 budget review committee shall approve the request for the
- 29 enrollment supplement in the amount specified in subsection 3
- 30 if the district meets the requirements of this section.
- 31 2. a. For each fiscal year beginning on or after July
- 32 1, 2018, there is appropriated from the general fund of the
- 33 state to the department of education the sum of ten million
- 34 dollars, or so much thereof as is necessary, to make all school
- 35 district enrollment supplement payments under this section, as

- 1 calculated in subsection 3.
- 2 b. If the amount appropriated under this subsection is
- 3 insufficient to pay the entirety of all school district
- 4 enrollment supplement payments calculated under subsection 3,
- 5 the department of education shall prorate the amount of the
- 6 school district enrollment supplement payment provided to each
- 7 district.
- 8 3. The amount of each eligible school district's enrollment
- 9 supplement shall be the difference between the school
- 10 district's actual enrollment for the budget year minus the
- ll school district's budget enrollment for the budget year
- 12 multiplied by the school district's regular program foundation
- 13 aid per pupil for the budget year.
- 4. School district enrollment supplement payments shall be
- 15 paid by the department of education in a single payment at the
- 16 same time as the first monthly installment is paid on or after
- 17 January 1 of the budget year under section 257.16, subsection
- 18 2.
- 19 5. School district enrollment supplement payments received
- 20 under this section are miscellaneous income and shall be
- 21 deposited in the general fund of the school district. However,
- 22 the school district enrollment supplement amount shall not be
- 23 included in district cost. An enrollment supplement under this
- 24 chapter shall not affect the receipt or amount of a budget
- 25 adjustment received under section 257.14.
- 26 6. Except for an adjustment to an amount under section
- 27 257.31, subsection 5, participation in the school district
- 28 enrollment supplement program under this section shall not
- 29 affect a school district's eligibility to receive an amount
- 30 from the school budget review committee under section 257.31.
- 31 Sec. 3. Section 257.31, subsection 5, paragraph a, Code
- 32 2017, is amended to read as follows:
- 33 a. Any unusual increase or decrease in enrollment. In
- 34 deciding a school district's need for additional funds under
- 35 this paragraph "a", the school budget review committee shall

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1 consider school district enrollment supplement amounts received
 2 by the school district under section 257.13A for the same
 3 budget year, and may accordingly adjust amounts granted for the
 4 purposes of this paragraph.
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                              EXPLANATION
           The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
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            the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
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      This bill establishes a school district enrollment
 9 supplement program to provide additional funding for school
10 districts in which the district's actual enrollment for the
11 budget year exceeds the budget enrollment for the budget
12 year. For the school budget year beginning July 1, 2018, and
13 succeeding budget years, if a district's actual enrollment
14 for the budget year is greater than its budget enrollment for
15 the budget year, the district may submit a request to the
16 school budget review committee for a school district enrollment
17 supplement. The school budget review committee is required
18 to approve the request for the enrollment supplement if the
19 district meets the requirements of the bill.
      The amount of each eligible school district's enrollment
21 supplement is the difference between the school district's
22 actual enrollment for the budget year minus the school
23 district's budget enrollment for the budget year multiplied by
24 the school district's regular program foundation aid per pupil
25 for the budget year.
      The bill establishes a $10 million annual appropriation,
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27 or so much thereof as is necessary, for each fiscal year
28 beginning on or after July 1, 2018, for the payment of school
29 district enrollment supplement amounts. If the appropriation
30 is insufficient to make all such payments, the department of
31 education is directed to prorate those payment amounts.
32 bill specifies that school district enrollment supplement
33 payments are miscellaneous income and must be deposited in
34 the school district's general fund. However, the enrollment
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35 supplement amount is not to be included in district cost.

Code section 257.13 provides that if a school district's actual enrollment for the budget year is greater than its budget enrollment for the budget year, the district shall be eligible to receive an on-time funding budget adjustment. The bill provides that a budget adjustment under Code section 257.13 shall be reduced by the amount received by the district under the school district enrollment supplement program. The bill further specifies that an enrollment supplement does not affect the receipt or amount of a budget adjustment received under Code section 257.14, and, except for an adjustment to the amount, does not affect a school district's eligibility to receive an amount from the school budget review committee under Code section 257.31 based on an increase in enrollment.